

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of
Thursday, September 23, 2010

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Callisto, Commissioner Meyer and Commissioner Azar.

Minutes

The Commission approved the minutes of the Open Meeting of Thursday, September 16, 2010.

5-AG-106 – Application for Approval of Affiliated Interest Agreement Between Wisconsin Electric Power Company and Wisconsin Gas LLC

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

1140-GR-107 – Application of City Gas Company for Authority to Increase Natural Gas Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and Prehearing Conference and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

4000-ER-104 – Application of the Village of Muscoda, Grant and Iowa Counties, Wisconsin, as an Electric Public Utility, for Authority to Adjust Electric Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6680-DE-100 – Wisconsin Power and Light Company Request for Depreciation Rates for Wind Generation Assets-Bent Tree

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

2720-TB-100 – Application of the Village of Jackson for Approval of a Preliminary Agreement for the Lease of and Option to Purchase Certain Telecommunications Facilities

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

3270-SB-130 – Application of Madison Gas and Electric Company for Authority to Issue Up to \$100,000,000 Principal Amount of Debt Securities

The Commission approved the Certificate of Authority and Order and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6720-DR-101 – Petition of AT&T Wisconsin for Declaratory Ruling that Its “U-verse Voice” Service is Subject to Exclusive Federal Jurisdiction

The Commission modified and approved the Final Decision and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

5-ES-105 – Strategic Energy Assessment for the Years January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2016

The Commission modified and approved the draft Strategic Energy Assessment for issuance, pursuant to the requirements of Wis. Stat. § 196.491(1)(gm).

5-CE-138 – Joint Application of Wisconsin Power and Light Company, Wisconsin Public Service Corporation, and Madison Gas and Electric Company for a Certificate of Authority to Install Emissions Reduction Systems at the Columbia Energy Center Units 1 and 2

The Commission began discussion of this docket and determined that additional evidence was needed to supplement the record in this matter.

Chairperson Callisto provided proposed questions to facilitate the process of obtaining the additional evidence for the record. He indicated his desire to have the supplemental information into the record within a period of four months.

The Commission determined that this matter should be laid over to the next open meeting to allow further review of the questions proposed.

CLOSED SESSION – The Commission recessed the open meeting, went into closed session under Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g) to discuss the litigation matter noted below with legal counsel, and reconvened the open meeting pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(2).

9300-EI-100 – Investigation on Commission’s Own Motion of Impacts or Activities Related to the Operation of Energy Markets by the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

RM10-23-000 – Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation by Transmission Owning and Operating Public Utilities

Commissioner Meyer moved, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g), that the Commission convene in closed session to discuss the litigation matter listed above with counsel. Commissioner Azar seconded the motion. The motion was carried and the Commission went into closed session.

After a discussion in closed session, the Commission reconvened in open session.

The Commission authorized intervention in the above-identified rulemaking docket of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Comments shall be drafted consistent with the Commission’s discussion held in closed session.

The Commission delegated the Comments to Commissioner Azar for final editing and review.

The Commission directed the Comments be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission and that they be filed independently with FERC no later than Wednesday, September 29, 2010.

The Commission also determined that it would join the Comments filed with FERC on behalf of the Organization of MISO States in the above-entitled matter.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

Sandra J. Paske
Secretary to the Commission